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(New) Blood-contactless measurement of arterial pressure.

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(New) This application is a divisional and claims benefit of U.S. Serial No. 09/865,905, filed on July 12, 2001, now pending, which is a continuation of U.S. Ser. No. 09/513,773, now issued, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.